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1) 138470 — Allegations against the Textile officer

2) 14585-1 — Cloth sales.

3) 115586 — Letter file of Sri. Bhima Roo Advocate - Bellary

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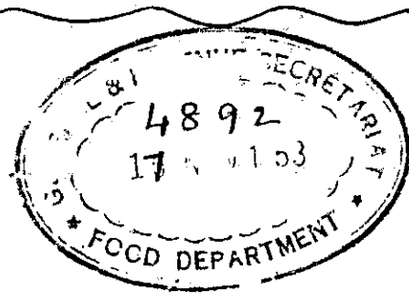

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SECOND ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
20 DEC 1951
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Representation from [illegible] Sivaramayya [illegible] T.C.O. bribery and corruption allegations against the T.C.O. Bellary and his staff

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పైన్యువలయాలను క్రిందపులు T.E.O. లు 24 లున్నతాండులలకు బాలసేవకు
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ఉంతిలేకశంతాలు తెలుశేశ.

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Mallappa
తే 17.12.51

Public (Genl-D) Dept

Block engineer.
Development D.O.

19-12-51

Allegations of bribery
against T.C.O. Bellary (Sri Henayya)
and his clerk Swaramayya
& his peon Lathi Saheb.

Transfer of the T.C.O
requested / T.C.O. is
getting a sum of Rs. 1000 and
1500 as bribe for recommending
a licence to the collector. His
clerks is getting Rs 15 or 20
from the dealers for issuing
yarn licences & his peon is
getting Commission from
the dealers)

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Head of Dept-

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Collector of Bellary

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Collector of Tirupathi

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Collector of Nellore

Collector of Guntur

Dev(M.I) 2/2

Confl Pl issue
Dlr 31.1.52

Memo: 13847 O M I 757-2 d. 30.1.52

Sub: Public Servants - V.C.O., etc Bellary - Corruption - Allegations.

Ref Petition from Mallappa, Bellary d. 17.12.51 to C.S.

The original of a telugu petition cited alleging Corruption on the part of the V.C.O, Bellary is forwarded to the Collector of Bellary. He is requested to make an enquiry into the allegations in the petition and submit a report to Govt. He is informed that the matter should be treated as Confidential and that the enquiry should not go beyond him

Dlr 21.1.52 22/1/52

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To
The Collector
Bellary
(with the pp 1-2 in orig If to be returned with reply)

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Revenue Department.

From

Sri.G.Rami Reddi, B.A.
Collector,
Bellary.

To

The Deputy Secretary to Govt.
Development Department,
Madras.

Confdl. L.Dis.No. /52 A4 dated 20-2-1952.

Sir,

Sub; - Public Servants - Bellary District - Textile Control Officer and his staff - corruption allegation - Report submitted.

Ref; - Government Memo No. Confdl. 138470.M1/51-2 dated 31-1-1952.

A petition similar to the one enclosed to the Government memo had also been received by me. After instituting confidential enquiries, I found that the petition was a pseudonumous one and that the allegations made in it were baseless.

The petition received with the Government memo is resubmitted herewith.

snr.

Collector.

Dev (M I) 1957

C No. 88470 MI/57

hh 1-2 cf

Subj: Public Servants - T.C.O., etc., Bellary - Corruption Allegations against - Inquiry into - Request for -

Ref: Petition from Mallappa, Bellary dt: 17.12.57, addressed to the Chief Secy.

To Assn. Sec.

Please see the Telugu petition at pp 1-2 C.F. and a gist of its translation at pp 3 C.F. alleging Corruption on the part of the T.C.O., his Clerk and peon. The allegations are that:

1) the T.C.O is getting a sum of Rs 1000/- to Rs 1500/- as bribe for recommending a licence to the Collector, and has amassed Rs upto Rs 70,000/-
2) his Clerk is getting Rs 15/- to 20/- from the dealers for issuing yarn licences ~~of the procurement licence from the dealers~~ and has earned Rs 16,000/-
3) the peon is getting Commission from the yarn dealers and has to his Credit about Rs 6,000/-

for orders whether any further action is necessary and if so whether the Collector may be asked to make an enquiry or the 'X' Branch. If the latter the Gate may be Circulated to Ptt (Ind) & H.C.M

Pub. (S.C.) (may see) prior to On

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Pub (SC)

This may be sent to the Collector for enquiry and necessary action

31.12.57

Pub (S.C.)

Please see the note of Dept above. As the petition contains specific allegations

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against the T.C.O., his Clerk and peon, this Dept. may suggest that the matter may be referred to the X Br. for a thorough enquiry and report. Dept. will no doubt take orders in circulation including H.C.M. The file may be returned to Dept.

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DS
Dept

The allegation consist of a mere statement that the Textile Offrs of subordinate take a bribe of Rs many rupees per license. - there is no mention of any licensee from whom bribes were taken.... I think the allegations are vague too general & it would be a waste of time if the X-branch were to enquire. The Coll may enquire as suggested by Govt, & later, if necy order enquiry by X Branch.

Yes
12/1/52

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Pwt(1C) wl. no. C/13-1/52
12.1.52

To AS

Notes from p.1 above may be perused. A draft memo to the Collector is submitted for approval

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C/29/1 H.M. (2nd) Box 40

[Issued as Memo: 138470-MI/51-2 d. 31.1.52] p3 CF

[From the Coll: of Bellary Lr. Dy. 152 Pt4 d. 20.2.52] p.5 F

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
30 JAN 1952
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To AS

Please see the letter from the Collector of Bellary. The Collector has pointed out, after instituting confidential enquiries that the allegations made in the petition at pp 1-2 CF. are baseless. [illegible] have been, and [illegible] the Collr. may be asked [illegible]

DEPUTY SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
31 JAN 1952
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made
to report the details of the enquiry and its results and to send the connected file of this office for the perusal of the Govt.

~~Rule 8(2) may be made for remarks~~

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Pl. see Collr's report in page 5 of. 9n the circumstances reported by the Collr. no further action is necessary.

27-2-52

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
20 FEB 1952
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

DEPUTY SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT
29 FEB 1952
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J. BHIMA RAO, B.A., B.L., M.L.C.
ADVOCATE
BELLARY

16th Oct. 194

HON'BLE THE PREMIER MADRAS GOVERNMENT 19 OCT 1948
MINISTER FOR INDUSTRIES GOVT OF MADRAS 19 OCT 1948

To

The Hon'ble Sri O.P.Ramaswami Reddiar
Prime Minister,
Fort St. George,
M a d r a s.

Dear Sir,

In public interests and in the interests of purity of administration, I am compelled to address this communication to you, whatever our differences may be with regard to one aspect of administration, viz, the introduction of communal G.O. in the matter of admissions to colleges.

I am enclosing herein a copy of the confidential communication which I wrote to Sri. T.T. Anantaraman I.C.S. Collector, Bellary with regard to what happened at the time of selection of wholesale dealers in cloths for the Bellary District. The Collector for whom I entertained highest regard and who, I consider, is the saviour of our district from the incursion of Razakars, thought it expedient to associate six extra gentlemen in the matter of selection with the best of intentions. But somehow their association has proved detrimental to public interests. On subsequent enquiry I have come to know that Marwadi Dhingarmal, whose name was recommended by majority at the instance of Sri T.G. Satyanarayana Setti and Sri Mundloor Gangappa is the person who had come to my house in my absence on the night of 2nd October 1948 with a view to tempt me by offer of Rs.1000 for his selection and that one of my

clients had informed him in the manner referred to in the last but one para of my communication dated 6th October 1948. I also learn that he has sustained huge losses in trading during the last two years and is not likely to carry on business without black marketting. Hence I wrote another confidential communication on the 13th October 1948 to Sri.K.N.Anantaraman to expunge his name from the list of wholesale dealers, as he is not worthy to be one. I am enclosing a copy of the subsequent communication dated 13th Oct.'48. P7 below

I learn that the Collector returned from Mysore yesterday and that he is indisposed. I do not know whether he would exclude them name of the aforesaid Dhingarmal from the list of wholesalers. If his name should appear in the list, I would earnestly request you to see that his name is expunged.

Yours sincerely,
B Bhimadas
OB.Bhima Rao). M.L.C

Enclosures Two.

As for obvious reasons, I dissociated myself from further work after 6 a.m.
B. Bhimadas

Confidential.

Bellary.

6th October '48.

Sri K. N. Anantarman I.C.S.
Collector, Bellary.

Dear Sir,

I feel it expedient to put in writing what I reported to you orally on the 4th afternoon about the proceedin s which took place in my House on the afternoon of 3rd October 1948 (Sunday) re: selection of whole sale Dealers in cloth for the District of Bellary.

As you might recollect, we met in your Hall on the 1st October 1948 at 11.A.M. when certain principles were adopted with regard to selection of whole sale Dealers in cloth. We met again at 2.30 P.M. when the principles re: selection of whole sale Dealers in Yarn were discussed. As the time was too short for appreciation of the principles involved and selection of wholesale dealers and as you wanted the list by Monday the 4th instant, we proposed to meet on Sunday, the 3rd inst. in a convenient place and -- settle the matter. My house was selected for the purpose.

In addition to local M.L.As and myself (M.L.C), you had also invited (1) Sri H.Linga Reddi (2 to 4) the Municipal Chairmen of Bellary, Adoni and Hospet (5) Sri T.G.Satyanarayana President of Bellary Merchants Association and (6) Sri A. Veera swami, President of Bellary Circle Congress Committee to advise you in the matter of selection.

On the 1st instant, none took exception for your - having invited the others (Nos 1 to 6 above)

On the 1st instant, we had resolved that each of the three Municipal towns (Bellary, Adoni and Hospet) should have two wholesale dealers and the other six taluks, one each, making in all 12 wholesale dealers for a population of about 11½ lakhs in the district.

On the 3rd afternoon, when we met at 3.p.m. I suggested that the names for the taluks, may be taken up and decided

first, as there were single or very few applicants, and one only had to be selected. We took up Siruguppa g first, as there was only one applicant.-S.Hanumantha Rao. But Sri H.Linga Reddi Mundloor Gangappa and T.G.Satyanarayana took objection to his selection inasmuchas he had some Binny quota. I expressed my preference for S.Hanumantha Rao, as his name had been mentioned to me by Sri B. Kollu Rao of the place, a pleader and public worker, as one having had a clean record during the control p eriod. I said that the Binny quota might be insignificant but I was overruled and he was not selected and ultimately they (Mundloor Gangappa and T.G.Satyanarayana) urged that one Mar sri Chinnamal of Bellary should be selected, which was adopted by the rest. The marwari's name was put down on account of their insistence.

When the question of Rayadrug Taluk came up, it was found that Sri G.Venkataramappa, brother of Sri G.Nagabhushanam, pleader was the best eligible applicant. But Sri.H.Linga Reddi insisted that Sri H.V.Reddy (a relation of his) should be selected and that he would guarantee payment of one half share of profits to Sri G.Venkataramappa. But Sri Mundloor Gangappa (Municipal Chairman,Bellary) and T.G.Satyanarayana urged that Sri G.V. may be selected and that they would see to it that he paid one half of the profits to Sri H.Linga Reddi's nominee.

In the matter of Alur Taluk also, the name of one H.Sanjiva Reddi was selected.in preference to H.Linga Reddi's paternal uncle Hanumantha Reddi, with a similar undertaking by M.G. and T.G.S.

With regard to Bellary town, the names as suggested by M.G. and T.G.S were adopted.

With regard to Adoni Town, after some discussion one one Lingayat merchant and a vysya merchant were selected.

With regard to Hospet Town and the other three taluks, recommendations of Sri B.Anantachar M.L.A.and P.G.

Setti(Municipal Chairman,Hospet) were adopted. It is pertinent to mention that one of the persons selected is a member of P.G.Setti's family.

When the proceedings had to be signed by the members present, Sri D.Govinda Das,M.L.A raised a protest saying that persons other than M.P.As and M.L.Cs had been invited and the former had urged and pressed for the inclusion of Marwaris,who had blackmarketted and that he was against their inclusion. He made a note to the above effect in Telugu. Janab Md. Ismail expressed his dissent on the ground that no muslim merchant had been selected. I noted my dissent with regard to the - selection made for Siruguppa

As I reported to you orally, one of my clients from Alur Taluk reported to me after I returned from a Meeting at about 8.p.m. that some marwari had come during my absence and when he questioned him as to why he had come,he mentioned that he came to offer some gratification to me but he replied that I was not a gentleman of that stamp and that he might get into trouble,if he made the offer,and that he thereupon went away saying that he had spent about Rs.3000/- already. This fact was an additional reason for me against the selection of - a marwari for Siruguppa Taluk.

As all kinds of rumours are afloat in Bellary Taluk, I would in public interests request you to have a confidential enquiry made by a good and capable officer as to who the Marwari is who had come to my house and the details of his payment of Rs.3000/-. Obviously my informant does not know the person. Integrity of public workers is involved and the reputation of any one should not be tarnished by the misdeeds of others. I would therefore earnestly request you to have a confidential enquiry made as suggested.

B Bhimarao

(B.Bhima Rao).

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Confidential.

Bellary.
13th October 1948

To

Sri K.N. Anantaraman I.C.S.
Collector, Bellary.

Dear Sir,

In continuation of my previous confidential correspondence, I have to state that Sri Dhingrimal, whose name wasrecommended by the majority at the instance of T.G.S. and M.G. has sustained losses in business and is not ~~x~~ in a sund financial condition. Hence my respectable submission is that he should not be selected as wholesale dealer for Siruguppa.

I should like to recommendCthe names of the following retail dealers

(1) Devappa -Bellary -Member of Thesophical Society (recommended by Sri A.Nanjundiah of Th.Society)

(2) A.K.Chintamani Rao -cloth merchant, Agasanur - Siruguppa Taluk

Yours faithfully,

(B.Bhima Rao.).

Draft I

Development Department. 9

Memorandum No. 11558/Dev/48-1 dated the 30 November 1948.

Sub: Textiles - Yarn and Cloth - Licensing of wholesale dealers.

Ref: From the Collector of Bellary No.R.O.C.297/48(Confl dated 21-10-48

From Sri B. Bhima Rao, B.A.,B.L., M.L.C. ~~dated~~ nil dated the 16th Octr. 1948.

In his letter cited the Collector of Bellary has stated that as 23 wholesalers have already been approved by Government, there is no urgency to appoint two more dealers in the place of Sri T.G. Satyanarayana and Kosigi Hanumanthayya Setty. He is informed that if any old wholesalers in yarn in the district with excellent records have been left out for no valid reasons, he should immediately select two among them and grant licences to them and report their names to Govt. and the P.T.C.

A copy of the letter from Sri B. Bhima Rao, M.L.C., cited above, is communicated to the Collector for a detailed report at an early date.

To the Collector of Bellary.

DRAFT II

Memorandum No. 115586/PR/1 dated November 1948.

Sub: Textiles - Yarn and Cloth - Licensing of dealers in Bellary District.

Ref: From Srl B. Bhima Rao, B.A., B.L., M.L.C. letter dt. 16-10-48 to H.Pr.

A copy of the letter cited above is communicated to the Superintendent, Police X Branch, C.I.D. Madras. He is requested to enquire into the allegations made by Srl B. Bhima Rao and send a report to Government at an early date.

To the Superintendent,
'X' Branch.
(with copy of ref.)

BELLARY.

14th November 1948.

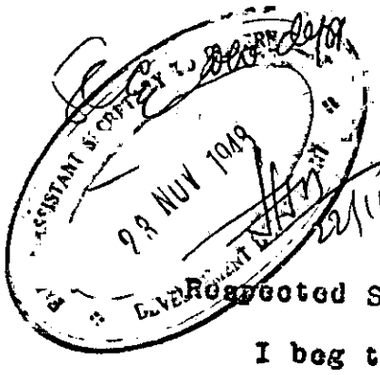
To

The Hon'ble Sri H. Sitarama Reddy

Minister for Industries,

Government of Madras,

Fort St. George, MADRAS.



Respected Sir,

I beg to bring the following few lines to your favourable consideration and early action.

Dev. Dept.
To A.S.
Copy has been sent to the Collector direct. May be lodged.
25/11/48.

This is the humble petition of Sha Devichand Dingarmal, - Whole-sale Cloth Merchant, Sindigi Market, Shop No.11, Bellary. The Government of Madras under the orders of the Government of India reimposed controls over mill-cloth and cotton yarn. Licensing ofdealers for wholesale and retail distribution also followed.

Regarding the selection of wholesale and retail dealers for the district of Bellary a committee consisting of nine members were constituted namely.

(1) Sri B. Bhima Rao B.A.,B.L., M.L.C., Advocate Bellary.
(2) Sri B. Ananthachar B.A.,B.L., M.L.A., Pleader, Hospet.
(3) Sri A.Veeraswamy B.A.,B.L., Advocate, President Circle Congress Committee.
(4) Sri M. Gangappa, Merchant and Chair-Man Bellary Municipal Council.
(5) Sri T.G. Satyanarayana, Merchant and President , Chamber of Commerce.
(6) Sri D. Govindass M.L.A., Alur.
(7) Sri H. Linga Reddy B.A.,B.L., Advocate, President B.B.C. Stores.
(8) Janab Haji Mohmed Ismail, M.L.A., Adoni.
& (9) Sri Gurunathappa, Chairman, Hospet Municipal Council.

The above said Committee members met on 3-10-1948 to select dealers for retail and wholesale. They were unanimous in selecting the dealers. That day they selected 12 wholesale dealers for distribution of cloth of the District and I was also one among the 12 wholesale dealers selected as said the selection was unanimous and I was selected to Siruguppa Taluk for Distribution.

I am a wholesale cloth merchant at Bellary for over 30 years. Within the jurisdiction of Bellary I am a regular quota holder for cloth direct from the Mills at Sholapur, Bombay, Ahmedabad, Coimbatore Gadag etc. My establishment consists of one clerk, 2 measurers , 2 servants and one night watchman. My daily sales

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sales are fairly better than others. During the previous Control period, I had the previlage of holding wholesale cloth license No.205.

The reactionary and abortive elements working against me who who were jelous of my position carried tails and taunted to ONE of the Committee Members who by his assumption of position and profession taking the advantage of this wrote to the District [illegible] for cancellation of licenses of five persons and I am also one of the victims thus victimised. The names of the seven wholesale dealers selected were put on Board, and my name was not in the list along with four others. This is redicules and shocking.

The other members of the Committee were surprised at this Hasty action of one of the members and their sympathies were with us. (five members whose names are not in the list.) Still time is not lost. Your intrevention in matter is requested .

I don't want your patience to be taxed Hon'ble Sir, for this lengthy application and appeal of mine. These are facts and not [illegible], and based on truth.

I humbly appeal and request you Hon'ble Sir, to consider my case sympathitically that

(1) The high handed mess of the one of the Committee member is deplorable and his action is indiscriminate.

(2) The whole-sale license granted in my favour by the Committee which met on 3-10-1948 be restored and thus allow me to run my business and thus allow me to continue the staff which I am maintaining else they will be thrown out of job in these days of stress and strain and their case may be given top-most sympathy from your hands. It is for you to mend but not to end.

(3) I request you, Hon'ble Sir, to interfere in the matter and wholesale cloth license may be restored to me and lastly I want justice at your hands.

I hope I will not be disappointed for which act of kindness I shall ever pray.

Thanking you, Hon'ble Sir,

P.T.9.

I Remain Hon'ble Sir,

Yours faithfully,

(Sha Devichand Dingarmal)

(1) Copy to the Provincial Textile Commissioner, Egmore, Madras.

(2) Copy to District Collector of Bellary for favour of informatio

(3) Right Hon'ble Omundur Rama Swamy Reddiar, Prime Minister, Madras.

V

Endt No.124049 MI/48-1 dt/6-12-48

Referred to the Police Bellary for remarks

CP
6.12.48

To the Police Bellary

This is the dealer who tried to bribe Sri Bhima Rao, M.L.A. I think he has been selected for 1949. Please Verify.

CP
29.11.48

A.S.

The dealer selected for yarn for wholesale is Hakmaji Dongarmal. The dealer referred to by Sri Bhima Rao M.L.C is one Marwadi Dinarmal It is not clear from the M.L.C's letter whom exactly he refers to. It was presumed that the M.L.C has returned the Dongarmal and a ref is being made to Collr. of Bellary 30.11.48 in the matter

CP
6/12/48

Ref.C.No.297/48 Confdl. Dated. 16-12-48.

From K.N.Anantaraman Esq.,I.C.S.,
Collector of Bellary.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Development Department, Madras.

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT 17 DEC 1948 DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

135212

Sir,

Sub:- TEXTILES- Mill Cloth- Bellary Dt- Licensing of Wholesale dealers- D.O.letter of Sri.B.BhimaRao M.L.C. and Petition of Shaw Devichand Dingarmal - Report - Submitted.

Ref:- Govt. Memo No.115586 M II/48 dated-1,dated 27.11.48.
2. Govt.Endt. No.124049 M I /48-1,dated 6.12.48.

In accordance with the instructions contained in G.O. Ms. No. 4729 Dev., dated 17-9-48 , I convened a meeting of the members of the Legislature, Chairman of the Municipal Councils, Presidents of the B.C.C.Stores , Merchants Association and Circle Congress Committee and in consultation with them I selected wholesalers in cloth and yarn and submitted their names, in this Office Ref.C.No.297/48Confdl. dated 5.10.48 for the approval of the Government. In making a selection, it has always been my principle to select only those persons whose character, status and business ability have been reported to be good by all the Committee members and to reject any person against whom a bad report has been received even from a single member though the remaining members have spoken well of them. A general opinion of good character cannot be accepted when there is a specific allegation by even a single member. On 4.10.48 Sri. B. Bhima Rao M.L.C. told me that a Marwari Merchant had come to his house in his absence to tempt him with money for recommending as a wholesaler. I came to know that the said Marwadi was the present petitioner Sha Devichand Dingarmal. Hence I did not include his name in the list of wholesalers recommended in this Office Ref.C No.297/48 Confdl. dated 5.10.48, though the majority of the Committee members recommended this man. Sri.B.Bhima Rao's apprehension that I might have included the name of this Marwari is unfounded.

2. As regards the allegation of the petitioner that his name has been left out unjustly, I submit that as a grave and definite allegation had been made against the petitioner by a responsible person and as the petitioner is reported to have sustained losses in trade and that he is likely to indulge in black-market if opportunity is given, his request to include him in the list of wholesalers does not deserve any consideration.

3. In a matter of this nature, I did not think it expedient to institute any enquiry as I did not like to subject, in the interest of pure administration, responsible and public persons to examination and cross-examination at the hands of interested persons.

H. Grant Jones

HVR.16.12. Collector.

Dev. Dept-223

Confdl

18/1/49.

Memo. No. 115586 MI/48-2 d/18-1-49

Sub: Textiles - Yarn and cloth - Licensing of wholesale dealers.

Ref: Govt. Memo. No 115586 MI/48-1 d/ 3-11-48.

p. 11 cf

The Superintendent, 'X' Branch is requested to state when his report may be expected.

19.1.49

18/1/49 171 CLP

18.1.49

To the Supdt. of
'X' Branch. CID
Madras

Secret.

From the 'A' Branch, Criminal Investigation Department,
Madras -4.

No. 33/Misc/48 dated 20-1-'49. 7744 M-1

The Secretary to
Government,
Development
Department,
Madras.

Sub:- Textiles - Yarn and cloth - Licensing of wholesale dealers in Bellary District.

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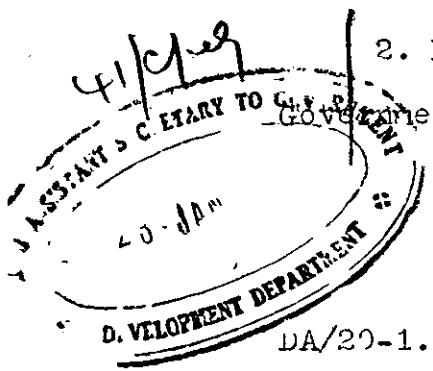
Reference Memorandum No. 115586 MI/48-2, Development Department dated the 18th January 1949.

2. My report was sent to the Chief Secretary to Government on 19-1-'49.

G.R. Devarajan 20/1

(G.R. DEVARAJAN)
Superintendent of Police,
A.Branch, C.I.D..



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KP 21/3/49

Public (S.C.) Dept.

Memo. No. C/41-3/49. d/ 21/3/49.

Textiles - Yarn and cloth - Licensing of wholesale dealers in Bellary Dt. - Ref.- 'X' Branch, C.I.D. Report No. 23/Misc./48, dated 19-1-1949.

The Supdt. of Police, 'X' Br., C.I.D. is requested to send urgently a copy of the report sent to Govt. cited above, as the original/is not readily available.

Issued. 22/3/49.

17.3.49.

20/3/49

CSR 21.3.

To: The Supdt. of Police,
'X' Br., C.I.D., Madras.

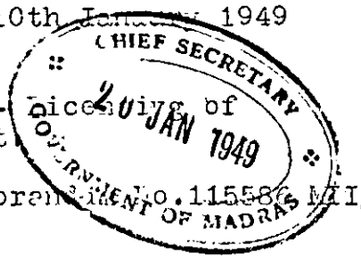
41/C/4,

Secret.

From the 'X' Branch, Criminal Investigation Department,
Madras-4.

The Chief Secretary
to Government,
Fort St. George,
Madras.
Thro'
The Inspr.-Genl.
of Police, and
Dy. Inspr.-Genl.
of Police, Rys
& C.I.D., Madras.

No.23/Misc/48 dated 10th January 1949



Sub:- Textiles - Yarn and Cloth - Licensing of dealers in Bellary District.

Ref:- Development Department Memorandum No.115586/MII/4 dated 27-11-48.

Pub (S.C.)

Dev. no.
20/1/49

Public (SC) No.
Rs. 41/C-1/49
20/1/49

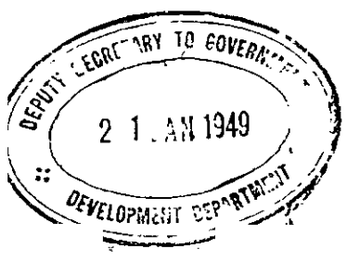
Partly connected letters

In their Memorandum cited above, the Government forwarded to this Branch, for enquiry and report, a copy of the letter dated 16-10-48 from Sri B. Bhima Rao, B.A., B.L., M.L.C., to the Hon'ble the Premier, containing certain allegations of an attempt made to bribe him by a certain marwari merchant of Bellary, in connection with the grant of a wholesale textile licence.

2. Along with the copy of the letter cited, copies of two letters written by Mr. Bhima Rao to the Collector of Bellary on 6-10-48 and 13-10-48 were also forwarded to this Branch for reference in connection with the enquiry. The allegations are:

(i) that one Devichand Dingrimal, a merchant of Bellary, tried to influence Mr. Bhima Rao for giving his support to select him as a wholesale merchant for dealing in textiles for the taluk of Sirugappa; and

(ii) that Mr. Dingrimal was also giving out that he had to spend another Rs. 3000/- to influence certain others to recommend his case.



3. An officer of this Branch was deputed to make enquiries, and the following is the result.

4. The Collector of Bellary had constituted a Textile Advisory Committee to select licensees for dealing in cloth, and Mr. Bhima Rao was one of the nine members of this Committee, which met on 1-10-48 at the Collector's office with the Collector in the chair. There were a number of

applicants

applicants for consideration, and it was decided that a list, to be approved by all the members of the Committee, would be submitted to the Collector on the 4th. The Committee met in Mr. Bhima Rao's house on 3-10-48 for this purpose, and drew up a list, in which one P. Hanumantha Rao, a nominee of Mr. Bhima Rao, was eliminated, and Mr. Dingrimal suggested by Messrs. Gangappa and Satyanarayana Chetty, was included. Mr. Bhima Rao had apparently given his consent for the inclusion of this marwari at the time of drawing up the list, but while sending up the list on 4-10-48 to the Collector, added under a postcript that he was against the inclusion of this marwari and assigned no reasons therefor. He appears to have informed the Collector orally on 4-10-48 that he heard from one of his clients that during his absence on the night of 2-10-48 a marwari gentleman went to his house and told his client that he had come to bribe Mr. Bhima Rao to the extent of nearly Rs. 1000/- and that when he was informed that Mr. Bhima Rao was not the kind of person who would stoop to do such things, the marwari was reported to have stated that he had already spent Rs.3000/- in connection with the same matter, and went away, so saying. On this oral report, the Collector removed Mr. Dingrimal from the list sent up to him as there was only one marwari gentleman in the list and included Mr. Hanumantha Rao, the original nominee of Mr. Bhima Rao. It is learnt that both Messrs. Dingrimal and Hanumantha Rao have since been omitted from the list on further considerations.

5. Inquiries show that the client referred to by Mr. Bhima Rao as having given the information about Mr. Dingrimal's nocturnal visit was one Ramalingana Gowd of Bevinahal, and Mr. Bhima Rao also stated that it was he who gave him the information. But when questioned by the investigating officer of this Branch, this gentleman stated that he did not give such information to Mr. Bhima Rao, but on the other hand recommended the case of Mr. Dingrimal to Mr. Bhima Rao. When

confronted with this statement of Mr. Ramalingana Gowd, Mr. Bhima Rao stated that Mr. Gowd did give him the information he conveyed to the Collector and the Hon'ble Premier but has been obviously won over by the other party.

6. Further enquiries go to show that, in connection with the selection of these licensees, the members of the Committee, who though very rich and influential, were anxious to have their own nominees put on the list, and hence persons interested in Mr. Hanumantha Rao, the nominee of Mr. Bhima Rao, and inimically disposed towards Mr. Dingrimal, started a rumour to the effect that some money had been spent by the latter for securing support to get a licence. As already stated, Mr. Ramalingana Gowd has denied giving any information to Mr. Bhima Rao, who was obviously one of those who was aggrieved at his nominee being excluded from the list. Apart from the denial of Mr. Gowd, there is also an inherent improbability in the allegation that Mr. Dingrimal would have gone to the extent of going about openly telling people that he went to bribe Mr. Bhima Rao at his house, and was proclaiming that he had already spent Rs. 3000/- in connection with this matter. As already stated, he is not in the list and he is an aggrieved party, but he has no grievance against anybody, and when contacted by the officer of this Branch, he has stated that he paid nothing to anyone in connection with this matter.

7. In the circumstances, the allegations are not substantiated, but appear to have emanated out of party politics prevalent in the district.

G.R. Devarajan 18/1/49

(G.R. DEVARAJAN)
Superintendent of Police,
A.Branch,C.I.D.

DA/10-1.

Forwarded.

The allegations are not proved.

Forwarded
Vijayaraghavan
19.1.49

Abraham
DIGCID 14.1.49

From

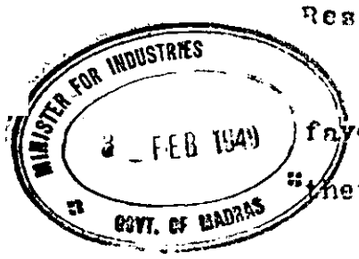
Bellary,
29-1-1949.

12162
3/2/49

Sha Devichand Dingarmal,
Cloth merchant, (Wholesale pr. No.205),
Sindigi Market,
Bellary.

To

The Honourable Sri. H. Sitha Rama Reddygaru,
Minister for Industries,
Government of Madras,
Fort St. George,
Madras.



Respected Sir,

I beg to bring the following few lines to your favourable consideration and early information and action thereon:-

It is strange to state that I have been informed that my name is included in the list of retail dealers; but my previous applications were made for the wholesale licence. Never in my life, I was dealing in retail business. I pray that the action taken down by your Honour on the application represented to your Honour on 19th November 1948.

As I came to know that all wholesale licences were already issued to the public, I am sorry to state that my name is not found in the list.

Therefore, I request your Honour to inform me about the action taken down by your Honour in granting me a wholesale licence to deal in mill cloths.

Thanking your Honour in anticipation,

Yours faithfully.

for Sha Devichand Dingarmal,
Wholesale Cloth merchant, Bellary.

To AS

Dear Sir

Submitted that the main file is in circulation and no specific action is needed on these three petitions. May be added to the main file after its return from circulation

1-2-49

CM-1290 MI/49 circulated vide HH(2) dt 28-12-49

2-1-49

5-2-49

5-2-49

MT 35

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MADRAS 3 EEE G.T.O.

INDIAN POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS DEPARTMENT

NOTICE.

This form must accompany any inquiry made respecting this telegram

Charges to pay. Rs.	As.	Office Stamp.

Handed in at (Office of Origin).	Date.	Hour.	Minute.	Service Instructions.	Words.
Bellary		4	40	Ordinary	26

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Recd. here at — H 9 M. hrs

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19. November information requested
devichand dingdinal.

N.B.—The name of the Sender, if telegraphed, is written after the text.

Th. & Co., Ltd., Madras—15-10-'48—68,900 Books. To AS

Secret (CR)

Submitted. The main file is in circulation
this may be added to the main file after its return

HS 10.2.49

1.2.49 Reg.

Bellary.
Dated. 8.2.49

From.
Sha Sevichand Shingarwal.
cloth merchants.
Old Market, Bellary.

To.
Sir,
Hon'ble Sri N. Seetha Rama Reddy.
Minister for Industries
Madras.

Respected Sir,

In enclosing herewith a copy of my prepaid telegram to you on 5.2.49. I regret very much to see no reply till now. I most respectfully beg to request your Honour. Kindly help me in getting the Wholesale license to deal in mill cloths as early as possible.

I will be ever grateful if my request is granted.

Yours faithfully.

Copy of the Telegram. dt 5.2.49.

Action taken Wholesale license petition 19 November intimate above requested.

(Sd) Sevichand Shingarwal.

To AP

Submitted. The main file is in circulation and this may be added to the main file after its return

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Dev. Dept 39

Memo No 115586 MI/48-7 dt. 11.4.49

Confidential

Pl. issue 8/11/4/49

p 9 cf-
& p 15-21 cf-

Sub: Textile - Mill cloth - Issuing wholesale licence - Bellary Dt.

Ref. Memo No 115586 DII/48-1 dt 27.11.48 from the Collector of Bellary Ref C No. 297/48 Cmpte dt 16.12.48

The Collector of Bellary is requested to issue a wholesale licence to Shaw Devichand Dugarmal to deal in mill cloth - as the allegation of Sri Bhima Rao M.L.A. that Shaw Devichand Dugarmal sought to bribe him, has not been substantiated, but appears to have emanated from party politics.

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dd 14/4
AS
9.4.49

To the Collector of Bellary 11/4/49

Bellary 11/4/49

UKA-

P.T.O.

Memo No. 11558 MT/48-8 dt 20.4.49

sub: Textiles: mills cloth – Imp. wholesale licence. Bellary dt

Ref from Sha Devichand Dugarmal dt 19.11.48 p13-17 CL

Sri Sha. Devichand Dugarmal is requested to refer his Collector of Bellary for orders on his petition cited.

20.4.49

20.4.49

To Sha Devichand Dugarmal
Siddigi market
Bellary

Copy to Collector of Bellary in continuation of Memo No 11558 MT/48-7 dt 11.4.49.

Rc.C4/62277/49

Office of the
Provincial Textile Commissioner,
Egmore, Madras, 22.6.49.

From

M.S.Sivaraman Esq., I.C.S.,
Provl. Textile Commissioner.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Development Department,
Fort Saint George, Madras.

65681
23.6.49

Sir,

Sub: Textiles- mill cloth- licensing of wholesale dealers.
Ref: Letter No. 297/48/T2 dated 15.6.49 from the Collector, Bellary.

I send herewith the Collector's letter cited in original for information.

sd/-M.S.Sivaraman,
Provincial Textile Commissioner.

NC.22.6.

For Provincial Textile Commissioner.

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THE PROVINCIAL TEXTILE COMMISSIONER MADRAS
20 JUN 1949

From

S.C.Allardice Esq., I.C.S.,

Collector, Bellary.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Development Department, Madras.
Through
The Provincial Textile Commissioner,
M a d r a s.

Rr.-C.No.297/48 T-2 Dated 15-6-1949

Sir,

(IX)

Sub:-Textiles-Mill cloth-Selection of wholesalers-Report submitted.

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Ref:-1.Government Memorandum 115586 MI/48-7 dated 11-4-49.
2.Provincial Textile Commissioner's R.C. C4/62277/48 D/24-5-49.

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During the Textile Advisory Committee, meeting held on 31-5-49 and 3-6-49, the following 3 persons have been selected as wholesale dealers under G.O.Ms.851 Development dated 21-2-49.

1.Devichand Dingermal, Bellary... According to Government Memo 115586 MI/48-7 dated 11-4-49.

2.Ratnaji Seshmal, Adoni. ... According to P.T.C's R.C.62277 dated 24-5-1949.
3.Punamchand Jeevaraj,Hospet.

not received

17-6-49

For Collector

B.F.16/6

~~Copy to P.T.C.Madras.~~ 16/6.49

To AS

Submitted for perusal. ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~. The connected papers reg Dingeronal is ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~. ~~No action is necessary on the [illegible]~~ Memo No 118586 MD/Lef-7 of 11.4.49. The is required for the disposal of the P.F. C's letter in the LF also A copy might be called for from PTC in.. A draft T-m. is subtd

[L.O. taken till 3.7.49]

[initials] 18.8.49

[signature]
USM

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Please see T.P. 11/6/48

From A.S. Dev. T.M.

To The D.C.C. ✓

B 5/7/49

Sub: Textile - mill cloth - licence - Bellary Dt

Ref: From P.T.C. Re. C4. 62277/48 & 22.6.49

Please send urgently a Copy of the Govt. Memo No. 115586 MD/48-7 & 11.4.49 ...instructing the Collr to issue a licence to Sri Devichand Dungeroval, Bellary.

Issued The T.M. to D.C.C. Kud 5.8.49 AS 4/8/49

P.C. 450 ✓ 6/8/49 4 Sep

Master 4 Sep

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RC..4/3019/49. Office of the
Director of Controlled Commodities,
Mount Road, Madras, dated: 9-8-1949.

From

..S.Sivaraman Esq., I.C.S.,
Director of Controlled Commodities.

To

The Assistant Secretary to Government,
Development Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.

M1 82058 12
9-8-49

ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO ...
8-8-49

Sir,

Sub: Textiles- Mill cloth - issue of licences - Bellary District.

Ref: Telephonic message dated 5-8-1949 from the Assistant Secretary to Government.

I have not received the Government memorandum No.115856-M.1/49--7 dated 11-4-49. I have asked the Collector, Bellary to send a copy of the memorandum direct to Government urgently.

For Director of Controlled Commodities.

Crk.8.8. To AS

The Memo referred to has since been traced and is put up in Ltr. The No. asked for in P.T.C's letter is P 1-3abcde. The papers may be added to this original Memo.

AS 13/8/49 16/8/49

16/8/49

Dev. dept

Textiles — Yarn — Licensing —
Belleary Dt —
Allegations made by Sri B. Bhima
Rao, BA BL MLC, Advocate

Please see the allegations made by Sri Bhima Rao, at pages 1-2 CF about an applicant for a license, who is stated to have gone to his residence in his absence to offer a bribe of Rs 1000.

2. There is one Hakamya Dongarmal in the list of wholesalers selected for yarn. This is presumably the man referred to. This is an old dealer. The Collector has stated that there is nothing against the dealers recommended by him.

3. There seems to be no point in sending the representation to the Coll for remarks - as she is a party to the selection. If the allegation is to be investigated, it seems better that the C I D does it. For orders - whether an enquiry should be ordered and the main license (which would have been issued by now) suspended. It seems that to cancell a selection duly made by the Coll in consultation with local MLAs and others, merely because an individual makes an allegation, is not called for

Let us see the 2 persons selected for the license by the Collector if never received.
28/10

22.10.98

25/10

2/

With reference to HM(Dist) 9
attention is invited to the [illegible] at p. 1 cf. in the Dist. Re Colln. has so far selected two dealers in the place of the new dealers whose names were ordered to be excluded from the list. He considers that there is no urgency in filling up these two vacancies.

CN. 11297/A1/M1
+ distributed in Asst.

A)
26/10/48

CPJ
26.10.48 S

Weiway till Coll. Sep. Asst if two bad dealers with excellent records have been left out for no valid reason, there is urgency & the Steward ~~should~~ could take in two men & report their names to Govt.

Wait for a report from the collector and also C.I.D. on the allegations made by Smt Bhimma Rao.

G.P.R
29/10

27/10

HM(Dist)
HDR.

A.S

Draft memos to the Collr of Bellary are submitted for approval.

Draft I may issue now and Public (S.C) may see draft II memo before issue

× Draft I
+ Draft II

D. C 7/11

Supt ~~X~~ + Branch are

2/3

CPJ
3.11.48

~~Pub (S.C)~~ (ai)

HM (Dist) may peruse the minutes of H.P.r

CPJ
3.11.48 S

Collector's report is enough for the present. Write to C.I.D. & now go to

4/11

HM(Dist)

The case may now be circulated at A. for perusal of the minutes of H.M(Food) at A. on page 2 above.

4/11/48

CPG 5.11.48 S

Let the C.I.D. enquire & report.

for

9/11

for perusal of above minute

10/11

A | There is [illegible] to go to the T.I.D: if we do so [illegible] follow the H.L.C: I have to submit for the matter going to the T.I.D. if [illegible] thinks it necessary.

11/11

B | Let it go to the C.I.D.

14/11/48

A.S.

Presumably Secretary does not consider it necessary to recirculate the case to H.M (Food) for perusal of minutes of H.M (Food) at B above in view of A above. For orders whether the drafts below already approved may issue after perusal by Public (S.C.)

17.11.48

See.

18/11

18/11/48

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Public (S.C)

Please see the notes of Dept. at pp 1-3 ante. The draft memo. may be passed and the file returned to Dept.

25/11/pub 24/11/48

24.11.48

25/11/48

Public (SC) No.
No. 853/C-1/48
25/11/48

FIFTH ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
26 NOV 1948
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

A.S.

Please see notes of Public (S.C) above. The drafts already approved may now issue, omitting para 1 of draft I as ~~shown~~ indicated in pencil, as the Collector has since submitted his proposals for filling up the two vacancies with two old debts.

27.11.48

27/11/48

CPP
27.11.48

[Issued as memo. no. 115586 on II/48-1 of 27/11/48 pp 9 CP
Issued as memo no. 115586 on II/48-2 of 27/11/48. pp 11 CP-
From Sha Devichand Dmigarmal. of 19/11/48 pp 13-17 CP
Issued as Endt. no. 126049 on I/48-1 of 6/12/48. pp 17 CP
From the Collr of Bellary no. 297/48 of 16/12/48 pp 19-21

To A.S.

pp 1-2 cp

Sri B. Bhima Rao, M.L.A. complained that one of his clients told him that Dingarmal, a marwari recommended by the Advisory Committee convened by the Collector of Bellary for the selection of wholesale dealership, came to the M.L.A's house in his absence ~~of the M.L.A.~~ with a view to tempting the M.L.A. by an offer of Rs. 1,000 for his selection and that the Collector of Bellary was likely to include him in the list of wholesalers to be submitted to the Government and requested that the name of the marwari should be deleted from the list if it was included by the Collector. (W.r.do orders of H.R., Hon(R) & Hon(Food)) The complaint was referred to the Collector for remarks, and to the C.I.D. for investigation and report.

pp 13-17 cp

2. Meanwhile the marwari, Dingarmal petitioned to the Govt. representing that though he was recommended by the Advisory Committee for a wholesale dealership, subsequent to this selection one of the Committee members influenced and persuaded the Collector to delete his name from the list, that he is an old dealer of 30 years standing and that he may be licensed as recommended by the Committee. The Collector's remarks on the petition were called for.

pp 19-20 cp

3. The Collector reports that though the majority of the Committee members recommended the petitioner, he was not included in the list of wholesalers for submission to Government in view of the specific allegation made by Sri Bhima Rao. The Collector adds that the petitioner has sustained losses in trade, that he is likely to indulge in black marketing if opportunity is given and that his request for selection as a wholesale dealer may be rejected. The Collector does not think it expedient to institute an enquiry as it will be subject responsible and public persons to examination at the hands of interested persons. For orders whether the Collector's view may be accepted.

4. The question whether the allegation made by the M.L.A. is correct or not, may be considered on receipt of report from the C.I.D.

CPG 27.12.48 DS

pp (-2)

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~~The candidature is already [illegible]~~

Representations

In view of the report made by Sh Bhimarao to the effect that the petitioner attempted to bribe the former and the latter rightly declined to select him as a wholesale dealer, notwithstanding that a majority of the Committee supported the claim of the petitioner.

The C.I.D are already enquiring into the allegations made by Sh Bhimarao against the petitioner & it does not seem necessary that the Govt should also enquire into the same.

HR
28/12

H.M. (Ind.)

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No decision about selection or non-selection need be taken till the C.I.D. report is received.
5/1/49

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To A.S.

Minutes of H.M (Ind) at 'B' above.

This may lie over till the receipt of the C.I.D's report ~~date~~ C.I.D. may be reminded on 15/1/49 if necessary

6/1/49.

CAP
6.1.49

To A.S.

A draft reminder is submitted

16/1/49

CAP
18.1.49

p.23 c/f
p.25 c/f.

(Issued as Memo. No. 115586 MI/48-2 d/15-1-49.)
(From the Supdt. of Police, 'X' Branch, C.I.D letter No. 23/MIS/48 d/20-1-49).

To A.S

Please see the letter from the Superintendent of Police, 'X' Branch, C.I.D. on p.25 c/f. Public Dept. may be requested to ~~put up the report referred to in para 2 on p.28 c/f.~~ ~~say~~ whether they are taking action on the report submitted to CS and if so to let this dept. see before final orders are issued

26/1/49

CPG 31.1.49 Pub

Dev. V.O. No. 115586 MI/48-3
31/1/49

CS - 64/C/49.
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PUBLIC DEPARTMENT
Verified from Original register

Public (SC)

The 'X' Branch report referred to above was recd. in this Dept. on 20/1/49 and (in original) it was sent to Dept. Secy./Work this Dept. ~~and~~ vide No. 41/C-1/49 d 21.1.49 for necessary action. The advance Copy of the report was circulated to Hon'ble Ministers on 22/1/49. With this information the file may be returned to Dept.

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CSR 4/2/49 Dev.

Public (SC) Go No. 41/C-2/49
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THIRD ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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Dev. Dept.

To A.S

~~Please see Previous notes of Dev and Pub (SC) Dept's notes above may be perused.~~

With ref to Pub (SC) note above, the case may be submitted to Secy for orders. Must have some boss.

SIXTH ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
7 FEB 1949
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

SIXTH ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
9 FEB 1949
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

With the ref. to the note of the Pub (Sc) on p 7 above, Secy says that he didn't get the report. Pub may kindly put up a copy.

CPG
24.2.49

Pub (Sc)

Dev. U.O. No. 11558 MI/48-4

26-2-49

Public (S.C.)

Please see the notes of Dcvt. from p.7 ante. The advance copy of the 'X' Br. report which has been circulated to H.Pr. has not been received back from circulation. Draft.memo. to 'X' Br. asking for a copy of the report is subd. for appl.

17.3.49 - 20/3/49

CoR
21.3

Dev.

The report has been traced and is put up. Examine.

CPG
24.3.49

To A.S.

(PREVIOUS NOTES NEED NOT BE READ).

p 1-2 c/f

Sri B. Bhima Rao, M.L.C. complained that one of his clients told him that one Dingarmal, a marwari merchant came to the M.L.C.'s house in his absence, with a view to tempt him by an offer of Rs. 1000/- for supporting his selection as a wholesale dealer and that the Collector of Bellary was likely to include him in the list of wholesalers to be submitted to Govt. and requested that the name of Sri Dingarmal should be deleted from the list if it was included by the Collector. With reference to the orders of H.Fr. H.M.(Ind) and H.M.(Food) the complaint was referred to the Collector for remarks and to the C.I.D. for investigation and report.

p 1- c/f and p 3 above

2. Meanwhile Sri Dingarmal petitioned to the Government representing that though he was recommended by the Advisory Committee for a wholesale licence, subsequently one of the Committee members influenced and persuaded the Collector to delete his name from the list. that he was an old dealer of 30 years standing, and that he might be licenced as recommended by the Committee. The Collector's remarks on this petition were also called for.

p 13-17 c/f

p 17 c/f

3. The Collector reported that though majority of the Committee members recommended the petitioner's name, he was not included in the list of wholesalers for cloth sent to Government in view of the specific allegation made by Sri Bhima Rao. The Collector added that the petitioner had sustained losses in trade, that he was likely to indulge in blackmarketing if opportunity was given and that his request for selection was a wholesale dealer might be rejected. The Collector did not think it expedient to institute any enquiry in a matter of this nature as it would subject responsible and public persons to examination and cross examination at the hands of interested persons. H.M. (Ind) ordered that no decision about the selection ~~drawn~~ selection of the dealer need be taken till the C.I.D.'s report is received.

pp 19-21 c/f

p 6 above

4. The report of the C.I.D. on the allegations made by Sri Bhima Rao will be found at pages 29-31 c.f. The

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report shows that Sri Bhima Rao was one of the nine members of the Textile Advisory Committee constituted by the Collector to select Licensees. The Committee met in Sri Bhima Rao's house on 3.10.48 for this purpose and drew up a list in which one P. Hanumantha Rao, a nominee of Sri Bhima Rao, was eliminated and Sri Dingrimal suggested by Messrs. Gangappa and Satyanarayana Chetty, was included apparently with Sri Bhima Rao's consent. But while sending up the list on 4.10.48 to the Collector Sri. Bhima Rao added under a postscript that he was against the includion of this marwari and assigned no reasons therefor. He also informed the Collector orally on 4.10.48 that he heard from one of his clients that during his absence on the night of 2.10.48 a marwari gentleman went to his house and told his client that he had come to bribe him to the extent of Rs.1000/-. Subsequently Sri Bhima Rao told the Collr. that the marwari was Sri Dingrimal. On this oral report the Collector removed Mr. Dingrimal from the list sent up to Govt. and included Mr. Hanumantha Rao the original nominee of Mr. Bhima Rao. As Mr. Hanumantha Rao was a new comer by Govt. - Vide G.O. 5239 Dev., d/22.10.48.

para 4 on p 30 cf

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his selection was not approved.

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The "X" Branch enquiries further show that the client referred to by Sri Bhima Rao as having given the information about Sri Dingrimal's nocturnal visit was one Ramalingana Gowd of Bevinahal. who when questioned by the investigating officer stated that he did not give any such information to Sri Bhima Rao , but on the other hand recommended the case of Sri Dingrimal to Sri Bhima Rao. When confronted with this statement of Sri Ramalingana Gowd, Mr. Bhima Rao stated that Mr. Gowd did give him the information he conveyed to the Collector and the Hon. Premier but that Sri Gowd had been obviously won over by the party.

para 5 of report p 30 cf

Apart from the denial of Mr. Gowd. the Supdt. of Policex says that as Sri Dingrimal would there is also an improbability in the allegation that Sri Dingrimal would have gone to the extent of going about openly telling people that he went to bribe Sri. Bhima Rao and that persons interested in Sri Hanumantha Rao, the nominee of Sri Bhima Rao, and inimically disposed towards Sri Dingrimal, appeared to have started a rumour to the effect that some money had been spent by the latter for securing support to get a licence. The "X" Branch report concludes

para 6 of report p 31 cf

that the allegations are not substantiated but appear to have emanated out of party politics in the district.

~~It would appear from the above that Sri Bhima Rao's allegation seems to be after thought in order to support his request for the elimination of the Mawari merchant and inclusion of his nominee.~~ For orders whether any action will be considered necessary on Sri Bhima Rao's allegation.

Sri Dingrimal has been reminding the Govt. to pass early orders for the issue of a wholesale licence to him. There does not appear to be any thing against selecting Sri Dingrimal who is a very old dealer. H.M.'s minute at "B" on p. 6 above may be perused. For orders whether the Collector may be asked to issue a wholesale licence to the dealer.

AS 31/3/49

CPG 2.4.49 DS

The allegation of Sri Bhima Rao M-L-C and a member of the textile advisory committee belong that Sri Dingrimal, a cloth merchant, sought to bribe him, not having, as reported by the x Bazaar, been substantiated, it would seem fair that the mischief caused thereby, namely, the exclusion of Sri Dingrimal from the list of persons selected by the advisory committee for grant of licenses; should be corrected. It is therefore submitted a list a

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to wholesale licence as may be ordered

to be issued to Sri. Devigi mal

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H.M (Food)

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H.M (Food)

8/4/49

for H.M.

8/4/49

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To AS

A draft memo to the Collector & Bellary is submitted for approval

8/4/49

11/4/49.

11/4/49

(Issued as Memo No 11-5586 AP/48-7 dt 11.4.49)

C.S.No.97/52. Dated 24th December '52.

Immediate Code telegram dated 24-12-1952 from FOREIGN, New Delhi, to RESONABILI, Madras, decodes as follows:--

08445. From COMIND.

At present only 20% of coarse and medium cloth produced by Mills is under controlled distribution and offered to State nominees. State nominees have however been rejecting large quantities of this cloth. In June 1952 rejections were only 5% of the quantity offered. In September the figure was 20%. and in October 35%. In November as much as 42% of the cloth offered was rejected. These figures appear to show that under the present supply and market conditions states are not (NOT) much interested in the cloth offered under controlled distribution. It has been suggested, therefore, that distribution control should be entirely lifted and Mills be permitted to offer their whole production to buyers of their own choice. We shall be grateful for your views on the proposal by telegram.

Development (MI) Department.

Confidential Endorsement No.145851 M.I/52-1 dated 24-12-52.

Referred to the D.C.C. for immediate remarks and in any case before 26-12-52.

J.S.
24-12-52.

C.S.No.97/52. Dated 24th December '52.

Immediate Code telegram dated 24-12-1952 from FOREIGN, New Delhi, to KKXRKM REASONABLLI, Madras, decodes as follows:--

08445. From COMING.

At present only 20% of coarse and medium cloth produced by Mills is under controlled distribution and offered to State nominees. State nominees have however been xxxxxx rejecting large quantities of this cloth. In June 1952 rejections were only 5% of the quantity offered. In September the figure was 20% and in October 35%. In November as much as 42% of the cloth offered was rejected. These figures appear to show that under the present supply and market conditions States are not (NOT) much interested in the cloth offered under controlled distribution. It has been suggested, therefore, that distribution control should be entirely lifted and Mills be permitted to offer their whole production to buyers of their own choice. We shall be grateful for your views on the proposal by telegram.

xxx C.S.R.
24.12.52,

C.M. will remember that the Millowners of Coimbatore also represented that they should be permitted to open their own depots and also to sell their goods xx to persons of their choice since the Govt. nominees were not taking the consignments offered by the Mills.

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I thought the Coimbatore Mill owners referred only to yarn. But this memo deals only with cloth. What however does Govt. think of this suggestion of India

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C.R.
24.12.52.

Confidential

Copy of letter No.D.Dis 129098/52 from Sri V.V.Subramanian, I.C.S., Director of Controlled Commodities, Mount Road, Madras, dt. 26-12-52. to the Secretary to Government, Development Department, Fort St. George, Madras.

Sub: Textiles-Mill cloth-lifting of controls.

Ref: Government Endorsement No.145851 MI/52-1 dated 24-12-52.

From May 52, the mills were offering for controlled distribution only 20% in the medium and coarse qualities in all varieties of mill cloth. From 1-10-52, price and distribution controls have been removed over a number of popular varieties of mill cloth. Distribution control therefore exists at present, only over 20% in the remaining controlled items of cloth.

2. The statement appended shows the number of bales originally allotted by the Textile Commissioner, from the mills in Bombay Surplus Area, the number of bales actually released by him and the final purchases by our buyers. The percentage of rejections by our buyers to the quantity actually released by the Textile Commissioner is given in Column 6 of the statement. From the statement it may be seen that the percentage of rejections out of the final allotments by the Textile Commissioner has increased from 9% in May 52 to 22%, in October 52. Figures of November are not yet available. It is not likely that the purchase for November and December 52 will be in any way better. Further the quantities purchased under controlled distribution form only a small fraction of the quantities purchased under free sale.

3. In view of the continued poor purchases by our buyers and in view of the fact that there is plentiful supply of cloth in the market at present, there is no objection to lifting of the distribution controls over the remaining 20% of the items of cloth over which there is now price and distribution control.

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Statement showing the number of bales allotted by the Textile Commissioner from Bombay Surplus Area and the number of bales purchased and the percentage of rejections.

Month	No. of bales provisionally allotted by the Textile Commissioner	No. of bales actually released (Allotted) by the Textile Commissioner	No. of bales purchased by the State buyers.	Percentage of rejections to the actual allotment.
1. January '52	14,155	14,107¾	13,754	
2. February	16,311	15,835¼	15,150¾	
3. March	14,873	6,885¾	3,574¼	
4. April	11,774	4,889¾	1,716¼	
5. May	4,323	1,363½	1,090½	
6. June	2,764	1,386½	2,249½	9%
7. July	3,449	1,727½	1,704½	1%
8. August	3,377	2,100¾	2,000¾	5%
9. September '52	3,486	1,886½	1,650½	13%
10. October '52	3,130	1,254¼	967¼	22%

Development (MI) Department.

To A.S.

Please see the telegram from the Government of India at p.1 above and the letter from the D.C.C. at p.3 above. In the circumstances stated by the D.C.C. in his letter it is for orders whether his view at 'A' on p.3 above may be accepted and the Government of India informed accordingly. Subject to orders a draft telegram is submitted for approval.

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M (I.&.L) and C.M. may see (After approval) by the Ministers, the case will be sent to Public for issuing the reply telegram in code)

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26-12-52.

Attention is invited to the minutes of the C.M. in the linked file. In view of the recommendation of the D.C.C. at p. 3 'A' may be approved.

B.J.
26-12-52.

M (I&L) U.K.

C.M. C.R.

The reply telegram below may be sent to India in Code.

B.J.
26-12-52.

Development (MI) Department.

Copy of Telegram No.145851 MI/52-2 dated 28-12-1952.

To ~~PSRF~~COMING/FROM/DEVELOPMENT/MADRAS.

NEW DELHI.

YOUR CODE TELEGRAM NO.08445 TWENTYFOURTH DECEMBER AAA THIS GOVERNMENT HAVE NO OBJECTION TO YOUR PROPOSAL FOR LIFTING (THE) DISTRIBUTION CONTROL ON CLOTH ENTIRELY AND PERMITTING (THE) MILLS TO OFFER THEIR WHOLE PRODUCTION TO BUYERS OF THEIR OWN CHOICE.

DEVMENT

B.J.
26-12-52.

Public (S&C)

A/ Rcd at P.M. on 28.12.52. We may like to investigate the cause of the delay.

As ordered by D.S. on p.6 ante the telegram below has been issued in code on 28-12-52. The file may be returned to Development Department.

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29-12-52.

Development (MI)

To A.S.

The telegram at p.9 above has been issued. For orders whether any action is necessary on 'A' at the bottom of p.8 above.

D.S. and Secretary may see the telegram at p.1 above and the reply at p.9 above.

S.A. J.M.L.
D.S. S.
3-1-53. 3-1-53.

To A.S.

Extracts w.r.t. 'A' on p.8 above have been taken for separate action. This may be lodged.

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6-1-53.

True Copy

Asstt